



**CITY OF PALM BAY
PROGRAM YEAR 2023/2024
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
ONE-YEAR ACTION PLAN**

Executive Summary

AP-05 Executive Summary - 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

1. Introduction

The Annual Action Plan for FY 2023-2024 provides a description of the activities the City of Palm Bay will undertake from October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024, to address priority needs and objectives identified in the 5-year Strategic Plan, as presented in the 2022-2027 Consolidated Plan for housing and community development programs. The Action Plan describes the activities undertaken with Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Entitlement funds granted by HUD but also provides information on the Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program and State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program (SHIP) and other sources to address priority needs and objectives identified in the Fiscal Year 2022-2027 Consolidated Plan. Palm Bay is a direct entitlement community for CDBG funds and is solely responsible for the administration of the funds.

The Brevard County HOME Consortium is a legal entity created through an intergovernmental agreement between Brevard County and the cities of Titusville, Cocoa, Melbourne and Palm Bay. The Consortium's mission is to increase the supply of decent, safe and affordable housing for low to moderate income persons living in Brevard County. As the lead entity, Brevard County receives (HOME) funds on behalf of the Consortium and contracts with each city individually. HOME funds can be used for activities that promote affordable rental housing and homeownership for lower income households, including acquisition, new construction and reconstruction, moderate and substantial rehabilitation, homebuyer assistance and tenant-based rental assistance.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

This could be a restatement of items or a table listed elsewhere in the plan or a reference to another location. It may also contain any essential items from the housing and homeless needs assessment, the housing market analysis or the strategic plan.

Housing: Preserving existing affordable housing; producing new affordable homes in special areas; mixed-income rental units city-wide; rehabilitation of rental units serving veterans or special needs; providing home ownership opportunities for those who want to own their own home; providing services to educate home buyers regarding the mortgage process; enabling homeowners through education and counseling to retain their home; and demolishing homes that are substandard and unfit for human habitation or commercial properties that are blighted.

Homeless: Providing transitional housing to address the increasing population impacted by current real estate market conditions and labor force reductions; establishing facilities for substance abusers, mentally ill, dually diagnosed, and support case management services for ex-offenders; support activities to fill gaps in Brevard County’s Continuum of Care and to respond to urgent community needs; support increased permanent supportive housing and transitional beds for persons with special needs to include housing for unaccompanied homeless youth and homeless veterans.

Special Needs: Objectives are to provide facilities to temporarily house chemically dependent or dually diagnosed individuals; support services to youth; support provision of additional independent living facilities with supportive services for the developmentally disabled, mentally ill, physically disabled, and persons with AIDS (including rental assistance for persons with AIDS); rehabilitate facilities providing supportive housing and provide services to enable the elderly to remain in their homes.

Non-Housing Community Development Needs: Design and construct comprehensive infrastructure and streetscape improvements, enhance safety and sustainability, support neighborhood-based organizations in sponsoring initiatives and provide other technical assistance as needed. Support the design and construction of neighborhood parks and community centers in the target areas. Construct ADA compliant sidewalks and facilities.

3. Evaluation of past performance

This is an evaluation of past performance that helped lead the grantee to choose its goals or projects.

There have been significant challenges in meeting the proposed outcome numbers described in the previous Action Plan. The COVID-19 pandemic placed an immense amount of strain on the economy, supply chains, and subsequently the progress on goals outlined in the 2022/2023 Action Plan. An in-depth list of challenges and issues the City faced in meeting goals over the past several years are described below. A few items from that list that had a particularly large impact:

- Cost of labor, materials, and equipment have increased significantly
- Cost of housing and land have increased significantly
- Lack of available affordable housing
- Staffing shortages of contractors, city, and service agencies
- COVID-19 limited capacity of many service organizations
- Staff turnover and/or lack of appropriate staffing levels

Despite the challenges, there was some progress made in expending funds and working towards the goals the City and community committed to during fiscal year (FY) 22/23.. Some notable accomplishments from 2022-2023:

- Purchase of Quint for Station 7
- Installation of benches at Liberia Park for Beautification
- Design and engineering of drainage project in Driskell Heights
- Liberty Park demolition and reconstruction of sidewalks and basketball courts
- Veterans Park upgrades to existing restrooms and multi-purpose field
- Homeless individuals were provided temporary housing
- Palm Bay Youth had an opportunity to attend the Youth Enrichment Mentoring Program
- Domestic Violence Victims received transitional housing services

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- Senior citizens received meals through the Seniors At Lunch, Aging Matters
- Seniors received free transportation and home delivery, Brevard Alzheimer's Foundation, Inc.
- Residents received Cold Night Hotel Stays, Outreach & Case Management, Temp Emer Medical Bridge Housing, Permanent Homelessness Relocation Assistance from
- Low-to-Moderate Income Residents received Certifications to increase employment opportunities through training from Space Coast Cultural Arts & Business Organization Charities, Inc.

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

The Citizen Participation Plan (CPP) sets the guidelines for how the City will give opportunities to residents and stakeholders to provide input into the Consolidated Plan. The adopted CPP is pursuant to 24CFR 91.105.

Public outreach efforts were conducted, including public meetings and public hearings to determine housing and non-housing community development needs, pursuant to the Citizen Participation Plan. During the public comment period, copies of the draft Annual Action Plan were available online, and at the Community and Economic Development Department office.

5. Summary of public comments

This could be a brief narrative summary or reference an attached document from the Citizen Participation section of the Con Plan.

The City of Palm Bay allows several opportunities for public comment. As required by the adopted Citizen Participation Plan, the City publicly notices the Public Hearing for development of the Annual Action Plan, which provides an opportunity for citizens to provide comments and inquiries to the City. During the first public hearing, the following comments were received: CDBG Funding

1. Aging Matters in Brevard spoke about what their agency will be doing if awarded funding.
2. Greater Melbourne Police Athletic League spoke about what their agency will be doing if awarded funding.
3. South Brevard Women's Center spoke about what their agency will be doing if awarded funding.
4. A citizen, Isabel Wright spoke about the need for funding for Palm Bay Police Athletic League to cater for City of Palm Bay youths rather than have Greater Melbourne Police Athletic League provide services in Palm Bay.
5. Another citizen stated that there are agencies, in addition to Greater Melbourne Police Athletic League that are providing services for youths in Palm Bay.
6. Grandparents Raising Grandchildren of Brevard spoke about what their agency will be doing with awarded funding.
7. A citizen, Bill Battin spoke about whether the Palm Bay Police Athletic League was adequately staffed to carryout youth programs.
8. A citizen, Phil Weinberg spoke about work being carried out in the community by the Meals on Wheels Program.

CDBG CV 1 & 3 Funding

There were no comments.

There were no public comments received during the second public hearing.

6. Summary of comments or views not accepted and the reasons for not accepting them

There were no public comments or views not accepted.

7. Summary

The City is involved with multiple agencies and community groups serving the needs of the low- and moderate-income persons and as such, there is much opportunity for the City to receive information about issues affecting the low-income community. The City also hears issues through monthly meetings of the Community Development Advisory Board and residents can attend these meetings and provide feedback on needs in the community.

PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies - 91.200(b)

1. Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan

The following are the agencies/entities responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

Agency Role		Name	Department/Agency
Lead Agency		PALM BAY	
CDBG Administrator	PALM BAY		Community & Economic Development Department
HOPWA Administrator			Florida Department of Health

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative

The City of Palm Bay is a direct entitlement community for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. However, this is not the case with the HOME funds. The City of Palm Bay, in partnership with Brevard County and the cities of Melbourne, Cocoa, and Titusville receives HOME funds through a consortium. The Brevard County HOME Consortium brings together the cities and the unincorporated areas of the County.

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AP-10 Consultation - 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(l)

1. Introduction

The City recognizes the benefit of engaging with stakeholders, partners, neighborhoods directly impacted by programs, governmental boards and committees, and other organizations engaged in similar work is an essential component in the development of the Annual Action Plan. The City's participation process began with holding public meetings and/or hearings. This approach provides for a range of opportunities for citizens to participate in the process. This engagement is beneficial to both the City that administers the programs as well as the public and partners because it creates a clear sense of needs and established goals to address those needs. This coordination creates buy-in for proposed projects and develops a shared vision/path for the use of the HUD funds described in this plan.

Provide a concise summary of the jurisdiction's activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies (91.215(l)).

The City regularly attends the Continuum of Care's (CoC) Advisory Council scheduled meetings. Further, the City has one staff person appointed to the CoC advisory council board. The CoC, led by the Brevard Homeless Coalition (BHC) brings together over 70 service providers working in public health, mental health, housing, and special needs organizations.

Coordination between the BHC and the City has improved as the BHC continues to grow in its role as the CoC lead. The BHC understands what its partners, such as the County and the entitlement cities, can implement with the HUD funds described in this plan. The COC submitted a collaborative application to HUD in 2022, and the COC was fully funded with a 19% increase at \$991,599. As an active member of the CoC Advisory Council, the city coordinates with other advisory council members that are public housing and assisted housing providers, private organizations, governmental health, mental health and service agencies. The advisory council also makes funding recommendations and has been actively participating in the CoC's strategic planning.

Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth) and persons at risk of homelessness.

Members of the Continuum of Care (CoC) were invited to attend stakeholder sessions where a presentation was made, questions were posed, and open discussion was had around needs and topics related to their space of work.

Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards for and evaluate

outcomes of projects and activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS

The City does not receive Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding. The BHC is the CoC lead agency and directly receives ESG funding from HUD.

2. Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and consultations

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	City of Palm Bay
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Other government - Local
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City led stakeholder meetings and Public Hearings whereby the agencies could provide input.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	Brevard Homeless Coalition
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-homeless
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City held several public meetings with Brevard County HOME Consortium meetings to discuss priority needs and the Action Plan.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	South Brevard Women's Center, Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Transitional Housing

	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Housing Need Assessment
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization attended a Public Hearing on February 16, 2023 and spoke about the work their agency will be doing in the community if awarded funding. As a currently funded agency of the City, the agency provides the City with monthly updates of their progress.
4	Agency/Group/Organization	Aging Matters in Brevard
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Elderly Persons Meals for Seniors
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization attended a Public Hearing on February 16, 2023 and spoke about the work their agency will be doing in the community if awarded funding. As a currently funded agency of the City, the agency provides the City with monthly updates of their progress.
5	Agency/Group/Organization	Greater Melbourne Police Athletic League
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Education Mentoring Palm Bay Youth
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization attended a Public Hearing on February 16, 2023 and spoke about the work their agency will be doing in the community if awarded funding. As a currently funded agency of the City, the agency provides the City with monthly updates of their progress.
6	Agency/Group/Organization	Grandparents Raising Grandchildren of Brevard
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Children Services - Legal
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless

Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The organization attended a Public Hearing on February 16, 2023 and spoke about the work their agency will be doing in the community if awarded funding.
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Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting

All entities were considered for consultation and no entity was purposefully excluded from providing input

Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care	Brevard Homeless Coalition (BHC)	The CoC strategic plan to address homelessness informs the City of their goals and strategies.
SHIP Local Housing Assistance Plan	City of Palm Bay	The Plan identifies housing strategies and allows the City to create partnerships that produce and preserve affordable homeownership and multifamily housing.
Comprehensive Plan Housing Element	City of Palm Bay	The Housing Element is the City's chief policy document for the development of affordable and market rate housing.

Table 3 - Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative

AP-12 Participation - 91.401, 91.105, 91.200(c)

1. Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting

The City encourages the public to review documents concerning the CDBG Program and provide feedback. Community stakeholders were notified of funding and emailed from a database of interested parties. Notification was posted in the Florida Today, a local newspaper on November 22, 2022 to advise the public and public service organizations of CDBG anticipated funding for FY 23/24. One public meeting was conducted on January 18, 2023, to discuss the CDBG and HOME programs and to accept recommendations for goals and activities during the Community Development Advisory Board Meeting. Two (2) public hearings were held, the first on February 16, 2023 and the second and final public hearing on May 4, 2023 to receive comments on the City's proposed Action Plan. All public meetings and hearings were held at Palm Bay City Hall Council Chambers, prior to adoption of Plan by City Council. Project funding was approved by the City of Palm Bay City Council on February 16, 2023. The FY 23-24 Annual Action Plan was made available for public comment for 30 days from March 20, 2023 through April 20, 2023.

Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Public Meeting	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish, Creole</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Non-targeted/broad community</p>	Staff held its monthly Community Development Advisory Board meeting. Public service agency representatives who applied for funding were in attendance	Representatives from public service agencies were present to answer any questions. No comments were received, other than discussion and proposed recommendations by the City's Community Development Advisory Board.	No comments not accepted.	

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
2	Public Hearing	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish, Creole</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Non-targeted/broad community</p>	Seven agencies were in attendance	The following agencies spoke at the Public Hearing: Aging Matters in Brevard; Greater Melbourne Police Athletic League; South Brevard Women's Center; Grandparents Raising Grandchildren of Brevard. 4 citizens spoke at the Public Hearing. See attached Citizen Participation Comments	No comments not accepted.	

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

AP-15 Expected Resources - 91.420(b), 91.220(c)(1,2)

Introduction

The following table describes the federal resources from HUD made available to the City of Palm Bay for the 2023 Program Year. The CDBG funds will support non-housing community development of the City. The HOME funds address housing needs within the Brevard County HOME Consortium area which includes the City of Palm Bay. The table includes the annual allocation, any prior year resources not expended before the 2023 program year, and then any program income. The “Expected Amount Available Remainder of Con Plan” column is an estimate of the amount of total resources to be made available from HUD for program years 2023 through 2026.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	742,119	720,606	1,087,899	2,550,624	2,226,357	Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds will be used for housing, fire stations/equipment, park, drainage and public improvements, public services, demolition, admin and planning.

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied

CDBG and HOME funds are used to leverage additional funding to address the needs outlined in this plan. While there is no match requirement for the use of CDBG funds, there is a requirement for local match when using HOME funds. To satisfy the 25% local match for HOME funds, the City primarily uses the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) program. For the 202-2024 program year, the City anticipates receiving a total of \$1,179,099 in SHIP funding; well above the 25% match requirement.

If appropriate, describe publically owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan

The City of Palm Bay will use all available funds and seek additional resources to address the needs identified in the plan. The City has a surplus property policy that allows publicly owned land to be used to address the housing needs identified in this plan.

Discussion

See above.

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives - 91.420, 91.220(c)(3)&(e)

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Public Services	2022	2027	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development Public Services	Citywide	Public Services	CDBG: \$111,317	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 168 Persons Assisted
2	Public Facility Improvements	2022	2027	Non-Housing Community Development	Citywide	Public Facilities	CDBG: \$482,379	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 6081 Households Assisted
3	Administration	2022	2027	Planning & Administration	Citywide	Administration	CDBG: \$144,423	Other: 1 Other
4	Fair Housing Education & Outreach	2022	2027	Affordable Housing Non-Homeless Special Needs Fair Housing	Citywide	Fair Housing Education, Training, & Outreach	CDBG: \$4,000	Other: 1 Other

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Public Services
	Goal Description	
2	Goal Name	Public Facility Improvements
	Goal Description	
3	Goal Name	Administration
	Goal Description	
4	Goal Name	Fair Housing Education & Outreach
	Goal Description	

AP-35 Projects - 91.420, 91.220(d)

Introduction

The Fiscal Year 2023 planned projects will address the City of Palm Bay's Housing & Community Development needs. Those planned projects are described below.

#	Project Name
1	CDBG Planning & Administration
2	Fair Housing Education & Outreach
3	Public Services
4	Public Facilities - Goode Park

Table 7 – Project Information

Describe the reasons for allocation priorities and any obstacles to addressing underserved needs

AP-38 Project Summary
Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	CDBG Planning & Administration
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Administration
	Needs Addressed	Administration
	Funding	CDBG: \$144,423
	Description	CDBG Planning & General Administration.
	Target Date	9/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	127,256
	Location Description	Citywide
	Planned Activities	Planning and administration of the CDBG Program.
2	Project Name	Fair Housing Education & Outreach
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Fair Housing Education & Outreach
	Needs Addressed	Fair Housing Education, Training, & Outreach
	Funding	CDBG: \$4,000
	Description	Fair Housing Education & Outreach, compliance with Analysis of Impediments.
	Target Date	9/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	127256
	Location Description	Citywide
	Planned Activities	Fair Housing Education & Outreach, compliance with the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing.
3	Project Name	Public Services
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Public Services
	Needs Addressed	Public Services

	Funding	CDBG: \$111,317
	Description	General Public Services - South Brevard Women's Center, Aging Matters of Brevard, Grandparents Raising Grandchildren, and Greater Melbourne PAL.
	Target Date	9/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	210
	Location Description	Citywide
	Planned Activities	Public services will address the needs of seniors, youth, homeless persons, education, transportation services, legal, and food services.
4	Project Name	Public Facilities - Goode Park
	Target Area	CT065201 BG1, 2, 3
	Goals Supported	Public Facility Improvements
	Needs Addressed	Public Facilities
	Funding	CDBG: \$482,979
	Description	Goode Park Improvements - Replace approximately 3000 square feet of pressure treated wooden decking platform, to include hardware, wooden stringers and joists along with new handrail. Project will also include design engineering and permitting.
	Target Date	9/30/2024
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	6081
	Location Description	Census Tract0065201 Block Group 1 is 51.52 percent low-income
	Planned Activities	Goode Park Improvements - Replace approximately 3000 square feet of pressure treated wooden decking platform, to include hardware, wooden stringers and joists along with new handrail. Project will also include design engineering and permitting.

AP-50 Geographic Distribution - 91.420, 91.220(f)

Description of the geographic areas of the entitlement (including areas of low-income and minority concentration) where assistance will be directed

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the City has a total area of 101.4 miles (101.4 mi), of which 97.86 miles (97.86 mi) is land and 3.1 square miles (8.1 km²), or 4.56%, is water. The City's population is estimated to be approximately 125,743 persons. The City is often referred to in four quadrants: Northwest, Northeast, Southwest and Southeast, each containing multiple zip codes. There is an area with the Southwest quadrant referred to as "the Compound" which comprises 2,942 acres of vacant land. The low-income target areas and block groups are highlighted below. As part of the City's Vision Comprehension Plan, the *Housing Element* is to ensure that the City of Palm Bay regulates residential development in a manner that can equitably, efficiently, and effectively meet the housing needs of the community's existing and projected populations. The Data & Analysis portion of this Element seeks to provide a factual basis for future housing decisions and policy changes made by the City as part of this update. Housing-related topics examined as part of this analysis include housing unit counts, types, age, occupancy status, condition, values, costs, subsidies, existing and projected needs, and considerations for advancing equity in the local housing market. Per ACS, there were 43,771 housing units in the City in 2021. Between April 1, 2021, and March 31, 2022, a total of 1,529 permits were issued for new homes (1,526 single family and 3 mobile homes) and the demolition of one single family home, bringing that total number of new units to 45,299. The detailed data contained in this element, however, is for 2021 as the ACS and the Florida Housing Data Clearing House do not currently have any more recent data.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Citywide	
CT 071322 BG 3	22
CT065201 BG1, 2, 3	20
CT065202 BG 1, 2	
CT071332 BG 2,3	
CT071337-4	
CT071334-3	
CT071339-1	
CT071340-3	
CT065121-1,2,4	
CT065122-1,3	
CT065123-1,2	23
CT071336-1	

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

For the 2023 Action Plan, the city made funding available through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process. This process prioritized funding for projects citywide and projects that are located in target areas defined in this section. While these target areas are prioritized, the City does not expect to solely fund projects in these neighborhoods and encourages submissions for projects that meet the priority needs and goals described in the 2022-2027 Consolidated Plan. The ACS (2015-2019) provides estimates for the total number of owner and renter occupied households within the City.

The City utilizes and addresses the need to rehabilitate owner occupied homes primarily with SHIP funding, to households at or below 80% AMI. This ensures to preserve current housing stock, while assisting limited income families maintain homeownership. The City has allocated and has agreements with Volunteers of America of Florida for the Space Coast Commons Project. This project will help create (30) thirty new units of affordable rental housing. The City funded Community of Hope, Inc for the acquisition of a (14) fourteen-unit apartment complex for affordable rental housing. Both of these projects were funded with American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) for a total of \$2,724,921.

Over the past 20 years, the fluctuations in the median sale prices for homes in the City largely match those experienced by Brevard County and the State of Florida. The City of Palm Bay's median home sale price, however, has never exceeded those experienced at the County or State level. The primary benefit of this phenomenon is that the City's housing market can be seen as more affordable than many of the other communities located within Brevard County and the State. However, lower local housing values often result in a lower tax base, which means less funding for important community facilities, services, and amenities, such as roadway improvements, park expansions, and law enforcement. For these reasons it is critical the City fund Public Facility Improvement projects, to adequately respond and address the needs of low-to-moderate income families throughout the City. This allows low-to-mod income

Although property values have increased and continue to rise, salaries have maintained stagnant. To address the needs of low-to-moderate income families having access to homeownership opportunities, the City has used and will continue to fund the First Time Homebuyer program with HOME funding. The City intends to continue funding projects to create and maintain affordable housing. The City currently is using ARPA funding in the amount of \$961,120 towards increasing (4) units for Homeownership. This is a collaborative project with Habitat for Humanity.

Discussion

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the city has a total area of 101.4 miles (101.4 mi), of which 97.86 miles (97.86 mi) is land and 3.1 square miles (8.1 km²), or 4.56%, is water. The city is often referred to in four quadrants: Northwest, Northeast, Southwest and Southeast, each containing multiple zip codes. There is an area with the Southwest quadrant referred to as "the Compound" which comprises

2,942 acres of vacant land. The low- income target areas and block groups are highlighted above. Unfortunately, for the City to address the needs of individual/families facing the risks of homelessness, additional funding would be needed. In discussions with local housing partners for current projects, the City has received feedback in which subsidy limits are not properly reflecting the following;

- increase of construction costs,
- higher property values,
- an increase in demand stemming from the influx of out of state residents after the Covid Pandemic.

The City has had conversations with local housing partners to find alternative solutions to a stateside issue. For projects to be successful, multiple private and public funding must be included in proposals. Developer fees will need to be kept at a minimum, impacting the number of developers wanting to carry out affordable housing projects.

AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing -91.420, 91.220(j)

Introduction

The City has a number of initiatives to remove barriers to affordable housing. Those initiatives were recently examined as part of the Brevard County HOME Consortiums update to the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI), in conformance with the Assessment of Fair Housing. The City facilitates an Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) that regularly monthly, if needed. A member of the City's Planning and Zoning Board is also a member of the AHAC and provides updates to the AHAC on proposed policies that may affect affordable housing. The AHAC will continue to bring affordable housing barriers and issues to light and provide the City an opportunity to address those issues as they are identified.

Actions it planned to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment

The City of Palm Bay participates in the State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) program. To receive and use SHIP funds for the development of affordable housing, they are required to appoint an affordable housing advisory committee that reviews established policies, procedures, ordinances, and land development regulations impacting housing development each year. This review of policies culminates in a report, the *Affordable Housing Incentives* Report. Some recommendations from the 2022 report include:

- The City has in place a mechanism whereby a developer can request to enter into a Impact Fee Deferment Agreement. The conditions and timeframe on the deferment is considered on a case-by-case basis.
- The City currently permits flexibility in densities for all housing, particularly under its Planned Unit Development (PUD) process. The City Council approved Voluntary Inclusionary Zoning Ordinance 2022-73 at their meeting on July 21, 2022, which added a section related to density or intensity bonus incentives or more floor space than allowed under the current or proposed future land use designation or zoning; or greater height, reducing or waiving certain fees; or granting other incentives.
- The City currently permits accessory residential units in residential zoning districts.
- Flexible setback requirements are presently offered to all development upon approval by Planning and Zoning Board and City Council.

Council approved Ordinance 2022-73 on July 21, 2022, which allows for an Administrative Variance that involves matters such as setbacks, floor area ratios, frontage requirements, subdivision regulations, height limitations, lot coverage/size restrictions, yard requirements, parking, and other variances which have no relation to change of use of the property in question. An administrative variance may be granted by the City Manager, or designee, as authorized by the procedure set forth and shall be used for a variance from the provisions of this Code limited to improvements existing at the time of application as opposed to planned construction. Administrative variances will not be granted within easements. The maximum amount of the waiver is up to, but not greater than, twenty percent (20%) of the requirement. As part of the Ordinance a section was added related to Voluntary Inclusionary Housing density or intensity bonus incentives or more floor space than allowed under the current or proposed future land use designation or zoning; or greater height, reducing or waiving certain fees; or granting other incentives.

- The City currently offers zero-lot-line configurations in its Planned Unit Development (PUD) process.
- The City of Palm Bay has a process by which a local government considers, before adoption, policies, procedures, ordinances, regulations, or plan provisions that increase the cost of housing.

Regarding barriers for households to fairly obtain affordable housing, the City, as part of the Brevard County HOME Consortium is in the process of updating the Analysis to Impediments Fair Housing Choice (AI).

Discussion

See above.

AP-85 Other Actions - 91.420, 91.220(k)

Introduction

The City of Palm Bay, in collaboration with the Brevard County HOME Consortium has developed the following actions which addresses obstacles to meeting underserved needs, fostering affordable housing, reducing lead-based paint hazards, reducing the number of poverty level families, developing institutional structures, and enhancing coordination between public and private housing and public service agencies.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

The City of Palm Bay has overcome major obstacles in the past year, which include non-compliance issues and inappropriate housing staffing levels. During the past year, the city has gained compliance with the City's SHIP grant but still remains in non-performing/non-compliance status with HOME funds. Two housing staff members were hired in July of 2022, and in October 2022, the Assistant Director was hired to implement procedures, bringing the total number of staff in the department to six. Another major obstacle to meeting all underserved needs remain the lack of financial resources as identified in the City's Five (5) Year Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plans. To overcome the obstacle, the City of Palm Bay will continue to seek other sources of funding and develop viable partnerships with other service providers to enhance the availability of underserved populations such as, youth, elderly, homebound frail elderly, the physically and/or developmentally disabled, and victims of domestic violence. As mentioned previously, the City has executed ARPA funded agreements to address some of the underserved needs.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

Access to affordable Homeownership and maintaining homeownership can be a costly endeavor. In addition to the reoccurring costs associated with taxes, insurance, utilities, and association fees, maintenance costs for repairs and improvements tend to exponentially increase as structures age. Other significant costs to homeownership are down payment costs, mortgage insurance, and mortgage payments, which can influence decisions to either buy or rent property. FHDC reports that almost half of the homeowners in the City earn income at or below the Area Median Income (AMI) and 42% of them are cost-burdened. Approximately 24% of those households pay from 30% to 50% of their income for housing, and about 17% are severely cost-burdened (paying more than 50% of their income for housing).

Most of the City of Palm Bay's HOME and SHIP funds are used to foster and maintain affordable housing. HOME funds are currently being used for down payment assistance and new construction/with down payment assistance. Habitat for Humanity has executed an ARPA funded agreement with the City for new construction of (4) units towards affordable housing for homeownership. Additionally, the City has a HOME funded agreement with Community Housing Initiative, Inc. (CHI) for the new construction

of four (4) units for affordable housing homeownership.

In spring of 2023, the City released a request for proposal to non-profits for acquisition with or without rehabilitation to increase affordable rental housing. Pending the response to the RFP, the City should be executing an agreement by August of 2023 with HOME funds.

Additionally, ARPA funds have been allocated to increase affordable rental housing units with (2) two nonprofit organizations in FY 2022. Those agencies are Community of Hope, Inc with (14) units and Volunteers of America with (30) units.

SHIP funds are being used for housing repair, emergency housing repair and rental housing construction. These endeavors will increase the availability of housing within the City and will move the City closer to its goal of developing viable relationships with non-profit housing development providers.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

The City of Palm Bay will take the following actions to reduce lead-based paint hazards:

1. Continue to implement the Lead Safe Housing Rule and will ensure that all homes built prior to 1978 are inspected by qualified hazard evaluation professional and all mediation is performed by certified lead hazard contractors.
2. Ensure that contractors who perform renovation, repairs, and painting jobs in pre-1978 housing and child-occupied facilities, before beginning work, provide owners, tenants, and child-care facilities with a copy of EPA's lead hazard information pamphlet Renovate Right: Important Lead Hazard Information for Families, Child Care Providers, and Schools and document compliance with this requirement; EPA's pre-renovation disclosure form.
3. Ensure that lead hazard reduction be performed according to 24 CFR 35.930 on units testing positive and ongoing maintenance, monitoring and cleaning be ongoing for properties that maintain a relationship with the County/cities.
4. Ensure that contractors follow three simple procedures:
 - Contain the work area. The area should be contained so that dust and debris do not escape from that area. Warning signs should be put up and heavy-duty plastic and tape should be used as appropriate: Cover the floors and any furniture that cannot be moved. Seal off doors and heating and cooling system vents. These will help prevent dust or debris from getting outside the work area.
 - Minimize dust. There is no way to completely eliminate dust; however, some methods make less dust than others. For example, using water to mist areas before sanding or scraping; scoring paint before separating components; and prying and pulling apart components instead of breaking them are techniques that generate less dust than alternatives.
 - Clean up thoroughly. The work area should be cleaned up daily to keep it as clean as possible. When all the work is done, the area should be cleaned up using special cleaning methods before

taking down any plastic that isolates the work area from the rest of the home. The special cleaning methods should include using a HEPA vacuum to clean up dust and debris on all surfaces, followed by Wet-mopping with plenty of rinse water.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The City of Palm Bay will coordinate efforts among its many partner organizations to include CDBG subrecipients to ensure that the goals outlined in the Consolidated and FY 23/24 Action Plan are met. These partners include neighborhood residents, representatives of health and human service agencies, businesses, churches, nonprofit developers, health and human service agencies, lenders and other for-profit entities.

The key goals of the City's anti-poverty strategy and five-year strategic plan are as follows:

- Provision of adequate and affordable housing
- Neighborhood stabilization
- Elimination of substandard housing
- Availability of special needs housing

In its *Urban Blight and Public Health Research Report* (2017), the Urban Institute defined substandard housing “as residential spaces with structural and other physical deficiencies that do not meet health and safety requirements, thereby endangering the health and safety of residents.” However, accurately determining the City’s total inventory of substandard units is impracticable, as it would likely require in-person inspections for each unit within Palm Bay. As such, most housing organizations and local government utilize a wide range of indicators to estimate if a housing unit is likely substandard. The most often used indicators in Florida are conditions of overcrowding and/or units lacking complete kitchen or plumbing facilities.

A vast majority of the City’s housing stock is likely not considered to be substandard according to indicators utilized by the ACS. This is likely because most of Palm Bay’s housing stock is comprised of homes constructed within the last 50 years and thus, were required to meet contemporary building standards.

The developed strategic plan will target the low-income areas of the City. The goal of the poverty initiative is to combat poverty within the City of Palm Bay to the greatest extent feasible with tangible resources and realistic objectives. The Community and Economic Development Department is actively working with the other City Departments, the City’s Homeless task Force, Brevard Homeless Coalition – Continuum of Care, and numerous other agencies to accomplish the strategies recognized in this plan. The Consolidated Plan is the guide and the CDBG-funded activities will assist in the Anti- Poverty Strategy.

The Housing Element report shows an inventory of 475 government subsidized housing units in the

City. 85 of these units are for elderly residents, and the balance of 390 units are for families.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

Strengths: The City of Palm Bay is a member of the Brevard County HOME Consortium, which is a strength to the institutional delivery system. Brevard County's Housing and Human Services Department serves as the Consortium's lead agency for planning and coordinating the implementation of the Consolidated Plan. The County organizes and facilitates monthly HOME Consortium meetings where the County and each participating-member of the Consortium meet to discuss planning processes, opportunities for partnership, fair housing activities, progress on any HOME-funded activities, and to share capacity/knowledge where possible.

Each HOME Consortium city implements their own HOME program, with few opportunities for projects to be jointly funded across jurisdictions. This is mostly because the amount of funding is such that it makes larger scale projects difficult, even when joint funding is possible.

The City will continue to seek and provide training for staff that promotes efficiency and effectiveness in the administration of the CDBG and HOME Programs. Training shall include venues offered by HUD through the HUD Exchange, the Florida Community Development Association, fair housing organizations, and the Florida Housing Coalition, etc. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, travel had been limited to virtual trainings and meetings. As restrictions have lifted, in person trainings will be attended when available.

The City will continue to build relationships with non-profit and for-profit housing providers and developers to support and enhance its housing development strategy. Finally, the City will continue to work collaboratively with municipalities, non-profit and private entities throughout the State to develop and strengthen its capacity to carry out programs within the City. City staff attends the community redevelopment agency meetings to improve services and quality of life for the residents of the city.

The CoC utilizes the "housing first" model and encourages all service agencies to utilize the chosen homeless management information system (HMIS) software. Although not all service agencies do utilize HMIS, the CoC recognizes the usefulness of HMIS and is actively working with service agencies to participate in HMIS and a coordinated assessment process to best serve the community and most efficiently allocate resources.

Gaps: The City does not have the institutional structure to target, monitor, nor manage programs for homelessness or persons with HIV. Service providers for specific types of eligible activities, such as mental health counseling, may not be available in the City limits or have limited funding.

The BHC continues to make efforts to expand the number and types of organizations that comprise the CoC. The CoC has both ESG, and ESG-CV resources and provides those funds to service organizations. These resources paired with training supports provides incentives for organizations to join the CoC that

may fill gaps in services as they become known. City staff work closely with the CoC and hold one seat on the CoC advisory board. BHC will also continue to encourage service providers to utilize HMIS so gaps and can be understood quickly and the CoC may work with its partners to address that gap. In 2021, the CoC was awarded \$747,980 and in FY2022 the CoC was awarded \$915,999 from the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development CoC Program Competition NOFO.

Actions planned to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies

The City has staff that sit on government boards and advisory councils that regularly consult with private housing and social service agencies. These platforms are a great medium for the City to learn about issues facing the private housing market as well as those agencies that are providing services in the field. The City will continue this role and will build relationships with those organizations to understand needs and needed resources to meet needs.

Discussion

The Housing Element report states that the City's projected housing needs based on the projected 2045 population will need to increase to 53,649 units. To meet the City's projected demand of 53,649 units by 2045, a minimum of 9,878 new units will need to be constructed within the next 22 years. The City can expect its population of cost-burdened households to exceed 16,000 within the next 3 years, a significant majority of which will likely earn monthly income lower than the AMI. In efforts to assist this growing population in obtaining and keeping stable housing conditions, the City will continue to explore methods to increase the diversity of its housing stock and the inventory of available affordable housing units in the future. The overwhelming majority of the housing stock in Palm Bay is comprised of owner-occupied single-family detached homes. The lack of diversity in local housing options and tenure often creates a financial barrier to those who cannot afford to purchase a home, such as low-to-moderate income workers (e.g., teachers, firefighters, etc.), individuals with substantial debt, retirees, single-parent households, or those with special needs. By expanding the City's housing stock with more moderate to high density housing options, particularly those available for rent to households making 30% or less of the AMI, the City can create a more affordable housing market for its current and prospective residents.

The City of Palm Bay, in collaboration with the Brevard County HOME Consortium has developed the following actions which addresses obstacles to meeting underserved needs: fostering affordable housing, reducing lead-based paint hazards, reducing the number of poverty level families, developing institutional structures, and enhancing coordination between public and private housing and public service agencies.

Program Specific Requirements

AP-90 Program Specific Requirements - 91.420, 91.220(l)(1,2,4)

Introduction

The City of Palm Bay receives an annual allocation of CDBG funds as an entitlement city. HOME funds are received as part of the Brevard County HOME Consortium. The questions below have been completed as they are applicable.

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(1)

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	81,982
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan.	0
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
Total Program Income:	81,982

Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan.	70.00%

Discussion

The City of Palm Bay does not anticipate receiving any CDBG Program Income, surplus funds from urban renewal settlements, grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan, or income from float-funded activities during FY 2023/2024.

Attachments

Citizen Participation Comments



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CITY OF PALM BAY

The City of Palm Bay anticipates a CDBG funding allocation of \$250,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for Program Year 2023-2024. Funds may be used for eligible activities, such as housing rehabilitation, land acquisition, public works, or public facilities and improvements.

The City of Palm Bay Council will hold a public hearing on Thursday, February 16, 2023, at 4:00pm in the Council Chamber, located at 130 Melrose, 3rd fl. to discuss these funds and conduct an hearing and community development needs assessment and recommendations on the 2023-2024 CDBG program funding.

Persons with disabilities or non-English speaking persons requiring special accommodations to participate in the hearing should contact: Stephanie Christensen, Housing Administrator, City of Palm Bay, at (321) 837-1400 or 845 at least 48 hours prior to the Public Hearing. Interested parties are encouraged to provide written comments to: Stephanie Christensen, Housing Administrator, City of Palm Bay, 130 Melrose, 3rd fl., Palm Bay, FL 32909 or palm.bay@vencoremedia.com or 845.

All comments received by February 15, 2023 will be considered.

Public Hearing #1 comments

CDBG Funding

1. Aging Matters in Brevard spoke about what their agency will be doing if awarded funding.
2. Greater Melbourne Police Athletic League spoke about what their agency will be doing if awarded funding.
3. South Brevard Women's Center spoke about what their agency will be doing if awarded funding.
4. A citizen, Isabel Wright spoke about the need for funding for Palm Bay Police Athletic League to cater for City of Palm Bay youths rather than have Greater Melbourne Police Athletic League provide services in Palm Bay.
5. Another citizen stated that there are agencies, in addition to Greater Melbourne Police Athletic League that are providing services for youths in Palm Bay.
6. Grandparents Raising Grandchildren of Brevard spoke about what their agency will be doing with awarded funding.
7. A citizen, Bill Battin spoke about whether the Palm Bay Police Athletic League was adequately staffed to carryout youth programs.
8. A citizen, Phil Weinberg spoke about work being carried out in the community by Meals on Wheels

CDBG CV 1 & 3 Funding

There were no comments.

Grantee SF-424's and Certification(s)

OMB Number: 4040-0034
 Expiration Date: 11/30/2025

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Suffix: <input type="text"/>			
Title: <input type="text" value="Housing Administrator"/>			
Organizational Affiliation: <input type="text"/>			
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CERTIFICATIONS

In accordance with the applicable statutes and the regulations governing the consolidated plan regulations, the jurisdiction certifies that:

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing -- The jurisdiction will affirmatively further fair housing.

Uniform Relocation Act and Anti-displacement and Relocation Plan -- It will comply with the acquisition and relocation requirements of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, as amended, (42 U.S.C. 1601-1655) and implementing regulations at 49 CFR Part 24. It has in effect and is following a residential anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan required under 24 CFR Part 42 in connection with any activity assisted with funding under the Community Development Block Grant or HOME programs.

Anti-Lobbying -- To the best of the jurisdiction's knowledge and belief:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of it, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement;
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, it will complete and submit Standard Form-111, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; and
3. It will require that the language of paragraph 1 and 2 of this anti-lobbying certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Authority of Jurisdiction -- The consolidated plan is authorized under State and local law (as applicable) and the jurisdiction possesses the legal authority to carry out the programs for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations.

Consistency with plan -- The housing activities to be undertaken with Community Development Block Grant, HOME, Emergency Solutions Grant, and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS funds are consistent with the strategic plan in the jurisdiction's consolidated plan.

Section 3 -- It will comply with section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 (12 U.S.C. 1701u) and implementing regulations at 24 CFR Part 75.


Signature of Authorized Official Date 5/22/2023



Title

Specific Community Development Block Grant Certifications

The Jurisdiction Community certifies that:

Citizen Participation -- It is in full compliance and following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105.

Community Development Plan -- Its consolidated plan identifies community development and housing needs and specifies both short-term and long-term community development objectives that have been developed in accordance with the primary objective of the CDBG program (i.e., the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing and expanding economic opportunities, primarily for persons of low and moderate income) and requirements of 24 CFR Parts 91 and 570.

Following a Plan -- It is following a current consolidated plan that has been approved by HUD.

Use of Funds -- It has complied with the following criteria:

1. **Maximum Feasible Priority.** With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG funds, it has developed its Action Plan so as to give maximum feasible priority to activities which benefit low- and moderate-income families or aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight. The Action Plan may also include CDBG-assisted activities which the grantee certifies are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community, and other financial resources are not available (see Optional CDBG Certification).

2. **Overall Benefit.** The aggregate use of CDBG funds, including Section 108 guaranteed loans, during program years) 2023-2024 [a period specified by the grantee of one, two, or three specific consecutive program years], shall principally benefit persons of low and moderate income in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent of the amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons during the designated period.

3. **Special Assessments.** It will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG funds, including Section 108 loan guaranteed funds, by assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low and moderate income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements.

However, if CDBG funds are used to pay the proportion of a fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of public improvements (assisted in part with CDBG funds) financed from other revenue sources, an assessment or charge may be made against the property with respect to the public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds.

In addition, in the case of properties owned and occupied by moderate-income (not low-income) families, an assessment or charge may be made against the property for public improvements financed by a source other than CDBG funds if the jurisdiction certifies that it lacks CDBG funds to cover the assessment.

Excessive Force -- It has adopted and is enforcing:

1. A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
2. A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.

Compliance with Anti-discrimination laws -- The grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d) and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3619) and implementing regulations.

Lead-Based Paint -- Its activities concerning lead-based paint will comply with the requirements of 24 CFR Part 35, Subparts A, B, J, K, and R.

Compliance with Laws -- It will comply with applicable laws.


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OPTIONAL Community Development Block Grant Certification

Submit the following certification only when one or more of the activities in the action plan are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency as specified in 24 CFR 570.204(c):

The grantee hereby certifies that the Annual Plan includes one or more specifically identified CDBG-assisted activities which are designed to meet other community development needs having particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community and other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.


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Specific HOME Certifications

The HCMF participating jurisdiction certifies that:

Tenant Based Rental Assistance -- If it plans to provide tenant-based rental assistance, the tenant-based rental assistance is an essential element of its consolidated plan.

Eligible Activities and Costs -- It is using and will use HOME funds for eligible activities and costs, as described in 24 CFR §§92.205 through 92.209 and that it is not using and will not use HOME funds for prohibited activities, as described in §92.214.

Subsidy layering -- Before committing any funds to a project, it will evaluate the project in accordance with the guidelines that it adopts for this purpose and will not invest any more HOME funds in combination with other Federal assistance than is necessary to provide affordable housing;

Signature of Authorized Official Robert H. Hine Date 5/22/2023

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APPENDIX TO CERTIFICATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING LOBBYING CERTIFICATION:

Lobbying Certification

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.